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II. **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:** 

The following listing of the claims replaces all prior versions and listing of the claims in

the application:

(Currently Amended) A picnic table comprising: 1.

a first bench;

a second bench;

a central table;

a first leg including an at least substantially closed a loop portion with a generally

rectangular configuration and a table support portion, the loop portion being constructed

from an integral, one-piece component, the first bench and the second bench being

connected to the loop portion of the first leg, the table support portion being disposed

proximate a center portion of the loop portion and being disposed between the first bench

and the second bench, the table support portion being connected to a lower portion of the

loop portion and an upper portion of the loop portion, the central table being connected to

the table support portion; and

a second leg including an at least substantially closed a loop portion with a

generally rectangular configuration and a table support portion, the loop portion being

constructed from an integral, one-piece component, the first bench and the second bench

being connected to the loop portion of the second leg, the central table being connected to

the table support portion, the table support portion being disposed proximate a center of

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> the loop portion and being disposed between the first bench and the second bench, the table support portion being connected to a lower portion of the loop portion and an upper portion of the loop portion.

- 2. (Original) The picnic table as in Claim 1, wherein the loop portion and the table support portion of the first leg are generally aligned in a first plane; and wherein the loop portion and the table support portion of the second leg are generally aligned in a second plane.
- 3. (Original) The picnic table as in Claim 2, wherein the first plane is generally parallel to and spaced apart from the second plane.
- (Currently Amended) The picnic table as in Claim 1, wherein the loop portion of 4. the first leg is generally continuous and has a generally rectangular configuration; and wherein the loop portion of the second leg is generally continuous and has a generally rectangular configuration.
- 5. (Original) The picnic table as in Claim 1, wherein the table support portion of the first leg includes two generally upright members that are connected to the loop portion of the first leg and the central table; and wherein the table support portion of the second leg includes two generally upright members that are connected to the loop portion of the second leg and the central table.

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6. (Original) The picnic table as in Claim 1, further comprising a frame connected to the central table, the table support portion of the first leg and the table support portion of the second leg being connected to the frame.

7. (Original) The picnic table as in Claim 1, wherein the loop portion of the first leg includes an elongated upper member that is generally parallel to an elongated lower member; and wherein the loop portion of the second leg includes an elongated upper member that is generally parallel to an elongated lower member.

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8. (Currently Amended) A picnic table comprising:

a center table including a first side and a second side;

a first bench disposed near the first side of the center table;

a second bench disposed near the second side of the center table; and

a <u>support assembly frame</u> supporting the center table, the first bench and the second bench above a support surface, the <u>support assembly frame</u> comprising:

a first leg including an at least substantially closed a loop portion with a generally rectangular configuration, the loop portion being constructed from an integral, one-piece component, the loop portion supporting that supports a first end of the first bench and a first end of the second bench above the support surface, the first leg including a table support being disposed proximate a center portion of the loop portion and between the first bench and the second bench, the table support portion being connected to a lower portion of the loop portion and an upper portion of the loop portion, connected to the loop portion and the center table, the table support supporting the center table above the support surface; and

a second leg including an at least substantially closed a loop portion with a generally rectangular configuration, the loop portion being constructed from an integral, one-piece component, the loop portion supporting that supports a second end of the first bench and a second end of the second bench above the support surface, the first leg including a table support being disposed proximate a center portion of the loop portion and between the first bench and the second bench, the

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an upper portion of the loop portion, connected to the loop portion and the center table, the table support supporting the center table above the support surface.

- 9. (Original) The picnic table as in Claim 8, wherein the table support of the first leg include a pair of generally parallel support members and the table support of the second leg includes a pair of generally parallel support members.
- 10. (Original) The picnic table as in Claim 9, further comprising a cross bar attached to the pair of generally parallel support members of the table support of the first leg and a cross bar attached to the pair of generally parallel support members of the table support of the second leg.
- 11. (Original) The picnic table as in Claim 10, further comprising a pair of side rails connected to the center table, the side rails being connected to the a cross bar of the table support of the first leg and the cross bar of the table support of the second leg.
- 12. (Original) The picnic table as in Claim 8, wherein the loop portion and the table support of the first leg are generally aligned in the same plane; and wherein the loop portion and the table support of the second leg are generally aligned in the same plane.

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13. (Currently Amended) The picnic table as in Claim 8, wherein the loop portion of the first leg is generally continuous and has a generally rectangular configuration; and wherein the loop portion of the second leg is generally continuous and has a generally rectangular configuration.

14. (Original) The picnic table as in Claim 1, wherein the loop portion of the first leg includes an elongated upper member that is generally parallel to an elongated lower member; and wherein the loop portion of the second leg includes an elongated upper member that is generally parallel to an elongated lower member.

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15. (Currently Amended) A picnic table comprising:

a first support including an at least substantially closed a loop portion with a

generally rectangular configuration and a table support portion, the loop portion being

constructed from an integral, one-piece component, the table support portion being

disposed proximate a center portion of the loop portion and being disposed between the

first bench and the second bench, the table support portion being connected to a lower

portion of the loop portion and an upper portion of the loop portion, the loop portion and

the table support portion being generally aligned in the same plane;

a second support including an at least substantially closed a loop portion and a

table support portion, the loop portion being constructed from an integral, one-piece

component, the table support portion being disposed proximate a center portion of the

loop portion and being disposed between the first bench and the second bench, the table

support portion being connected to a lower portion of the loop portion and an upper

portion of the loop portion, the loop portion and the table support portion being generally

aligned in the same plane;

a first bench connected to the loop portion of the first support and the loop portion

of the second support;

a second bench connected to the loop portion of the first support and the loop

portion of the second support; and

a table portion connected to the table support portion of the first support and the

table support portion of the second support.

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16. (Currently Amended) The picnic table as in Claim 15, wherein the loop portion of the first support and the loop portion of the second support have a generally rectangular

configuration and are generally continuous.

17. (Original) The picnic table as in Claim 15, wherein the loop portion of the first

support is constructed from a single support tube and the loop portion of the second support is

constructed from a single support tube.

18. (Original) The picnic table as in Claim 15, wherein the table support portion of

the first support includes a pair of generally upright supports that are connected to the loop

portion of the first support, and the table support portion of the second support includes a pair of

generally upright supports that are connected to the loop portion of the second support.

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## III. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached replacement sheets of drawings include Figures 1-5. These attached replacement sheets of drawings, which include Figures 1-5, replace the original sheets of drawings which included Figures 1-5. The replacement sheets of drawings replace the original sheets of drawings which included handwritten reference numerals.